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\$5,600,000 DISTRIBUTED TO STATES FOR FISH RESTORATION

Distribution to the States of \$5,600,000 in Federal Aid funds for sport fish restoration was announced today by Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton.

This apportionment will enable States to continue their fish restoration programs after July 1 until an additional apportionment is made in the fall.

Under the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration program, administered by

Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service, States are reimbursed for up to 75

percent of the cost of approved projects. Activities performed by the

States include acquisition of land and water areas, construction and rehabilitation of lakes, development of access sites and facilities for

fishermen, and research to aid in management of sport fisheries.

Funds come from the 10 percent excise tax on fishing rods, reels, creels, and artificial baits, lures and flies. Distribution is made according to a formula based on the number of sport fishing license holders in the State and the area of each State, including coastal and Great Lakes waters.

The attached table shows the distribution of funds that will be available July 1.

Apportionment for Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Fiscal Year 1972

Alabama	\$	100,197
Alaska		280,000
Arizona		116,395
Arkansas		110,967
California		280,000
Colorado		128,743
Connecticut		56,000
Delaware		56,000
Florida		126,515
Georgia '		115,467
Hawaii		56,000
Idaho		97,262
Illinois		140,133
Indiana		111,115
Iowa		90,106
Kansas		95,338
Kentucky		85,630
Louisiana		75,300
Maine		56,000
Maryland		56,000
Massachusetts		56,000
Michigan		197,743
Minnesota		222,622
Mississippi		74,281
Missouri		144,093
Montana		122,001
Nebraska		76,881
Nevada		84,647
New Hampshire		56,000
New Jersey		56,000
New Mexico		97,649
New York		142,311
North Carolina		94,169
North Dakota		58,337
Ohio		120,743
Oklahoma		111,734
Oregon		141,328
Pennsylvania		123,937
Rhode Island		56,000
South Carolina		61,734
South Dakota		71,595
Tennessee		124,868
Texas		280,000
Utah		89,865
Vermont		56,000
Virginia		86,765
Washington		110,142
West Virginia		56,000
Wisconsin		199,337
Wyoming		82,049
American Samoa		18,667
Guam		18,667
Puerto Rico		56,000
Virgin Islands		18,667
Total	Ś	5,600,000
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